

# Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee Development Session

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Meeting Venue  
**By Teams**

Meeting Date  
**Thursday, 28 March 2024**

Meeting Time  
**10.30 am**

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## AGENDA

<b>1.</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES</b>
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To receive apologies for absence.

<b>2.</b>	<b>MINUTES</b>
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To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee held on the 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

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<b>3.</b>	<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>
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To consider the amended Powys PSB Scrutiny Committee Terms of Reference for approval.

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<b>4.</b>	<b>WORK PROGRAMME</b>
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To consider items for inclusion on the forward work programme.

<b>5.</b>	<b>SCRUTINY METHODS</b>
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To receive a presentation around scrutiny methods and skills.

<b>6.</b>	<b>WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS ACT</b>
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To receive a presentation on the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

<b>7.</b>	<b>PSB BOARD/STEP UPDATES</b>
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To receive a brief update on the recent items considered at the Powys Public Service Board meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

The documents considered are available to view here for information:  
<https://powys.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=520&MId=8533&Ver=4>

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Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee Tuesday, 5 December 2023

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD SCRUTINY COMMITTEE HELD AT BY ZOOM ON TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2023

### Present:

Powys County Councillors Karl Lewis, Gareth E Jones, Adrian Jones and Corinna Kenyon-Wade.

Co-opted Members Jennifer Owen-Adams (Powys Teaching Health Board) and Peter Swanson (PAVO).

County Councillor James Gibson-Watt (Leader and Chair of Powys Public Service Board).

### Officers in Attendance:

Catherine James (Head of Transformation and Democratic Services, PCC), James Langridge-Thomas (Deputy Head of Transformation and Democratic Services, PCC), Liz Hutchins (Senior Policy Advisor, BBNPA), Anna Prothero (Principal Public Health Practitioner, PTHB), Mererid Bowley (Director of Public Health, PTHB).

### Apologies for Absence:

County Councillors A Williams, S McNicholas, G Preston and Dr Alison Merry (Deputy Director of Public Health, PTHB).

<b>1. ELECTION OF CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR</b>
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Public Service Board (PSB) Scrutiny Committee Members were required to appoint a Chair and Vice-Chair for the ensuing year, following changes made to the Council's Constitution regarding the Committee's meeting arrangements and Membership.

No recommendations for Chair and Vice-Chair were received in advance of the meeting.

J Owen-Adams moved and proposed to be Chair, which was seconded by County Councillor G E Jones.

County Councillor C Kenyon-Wade moved to propose County Councillor G E Jones be Vice-Chair, which was seconded by J Owen-Adams.

**Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee resolved to appoint J Owen-Adams as Chair for the ensuing year.**

**Public Service Board Scrutiny Committee resolved to appoint County Councillor G E Jones as Vice-Chair for the ensuing year.**

<b>2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>
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No declarations of interest were received from Members.

### 3. DISCLOSURE OF PARTY WHIPS

No disclosures of prohibited party whips were received from Members in relation to the meeting, in accordance with section 78(3) of the Local Government Measure 2011.

Members were reminded that under section 78, Members who had been given a prohibited party whip could not vote on a matter before the Committee.

### 4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Members received the [draft Terms of Reference](#) for the PSB Scrutiny Committee which required agreement before the rest of the agenda could be considered.

The draft Terms of Reference had been amended following changes to the Council's Constitution, to allow for three Members to be co-opted onto the Committee and to note that PSB Scrutiny Committee were permitted to meet up to two times per year.

It was explained that as set out in the Terms of Reference, the Chair and Vice-Chair were elected for a period of 12 months.

Members requested that there be a clear distinction between the PSB and PSB Scrutiny Committee membership within the Terms of Reference. **ACTION**

The Head of Democratic Services explained that PSB Scrutiny Committee would be required to consider reports of the PSB, with any scrutiny recommendations made provided to the PSB at the next meeting to formally consider. The PSB must then provide a response to PSB Scrutiny Committee within two weeks, as to whether the recommendations were accepted or rejected.

Members agreed that PSB agendas should be made available to the PSB Scrutiny Committee for information. **ACTION**

County Councillor K Lewis asked why Vice-Chairs of the three Scrutiny Committees were included in the membership for PSB Scrutiny Committee, rather than the Chairs when they held a paid role. **ACTION**

Members agreed the Committee's Terms of Reference, provided the minor amendments be made.

### 5. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF PSB WELL-BEING PLAN

The Deputy Head of Transformation and Democratic Services provided an overview of the Powys PSB Well-being plan, which was agreed by the PSB Partners at the June 2023 meeting. The PSB Well-being plan vision was noted as 'A Fair, Sustainable and Healthy Powys'.

There were three core well-being objectives that the PSB felt necessary to deliver on to meet the aim, these were:

1. People in Powys will live happy, healthy and safe lives.
2. Powys is a county of sustainable places and communities.
3. An increasingly effective Public Service for the people of Powys.

The following Steps would then inform the work and necessary changes required to meet the three objectives, in collaboration with the PSB Partner organisations across Powys:

1. Climate Emergency
2. Whole System Approach to Healthy Weights
3. Evidence and Insight

## **6. UNDERTAKING A WHOLE SYSTEM APPROACH TO HEALTHY WEIGHT**

### **Documents considered:**

- 'Undertaking a Whole System Approach to Healthy Weight' Step Presentation

The Principal Public Health Practitioner and Director of Public Health from Powys Teaching Health Board, provided an overview of the 'Undertaking a Whole System Approach to Healthy Weight' Step.

It was explained that there was a national plan and long-term strategy in Wales around healthy weight (Healthy Weight, Healthy Wales National Plan), with the aim to reduce levels of overweight and obesity.

The Healthy Weight, Healthy Wales National Plan contained four key themes:

- Healthy People
- Healthy Settings
- Healthy Environments
- Leadership and Enabling Change

It was noted that the 'whole system approach' related particularly to the 'Leadership and Enabling Change' category, as the work would involve a variety of organisations across different sectors; however, there were cross-overs between all four themes of the National Plan.

The focus around tackling overweight and obesity had moved away from a targeted approach towards individuals, to more of a public health population approach, as there were many interacting influences affecting peoples' weight that required a system-wide change.

The high-level action plan was aligned with the Public Health Wales Nine Step methodology, with work over the previous 16 months following the methodology in a systematic way. With regard to the action plan, work was progressing towards Step 6 (Network Analysis) and Step 7 (Action Plan).

It was noted that the system approach required buy-in from senior leadership and the associated strategic plans of organisations within the Powys PSB. Engagement had been undertaken across PSB Partners and with the Regional Partnership Board (RPB) strategic groups, such as Start Well and Live Well.

Following engagement and stakeholder workshops, sub-systems of overweight and obesity were identified and prioritised. This led to a focus on systems such as Children, Families and Access to Healthy Food. Further stakeholder events were held in May 2023 to extract key themes. The following key themes were identified:

- Breastfeeding
- Introduction to Solid Foods
- Cooking Skills
- Affordability of Healthy Food

A strategic steering group involving a wide range of stakeholders had been established to oversee the delivery of the Step action plan. However, further engagement work was planned. It was noted that the steering group's work and activities were reported to and scrutinised by Powys Teaching Health Board Executive Committee, Powys PSB and to Public Health Wales and Welsh Government.

**Issues discussed:**

<u>Question</u>	<u>Response</u>
How do you intend to roll this work out to members of the public, and ensure they are aware?	<p>A delivery plan was being produced however the activity may not be obvious. For example, it was known that children who were breastfed were more likely to be a healthy weight at four to five years old.</p> <p>One action around breastfeeding is to change the culture in Powys so that breastfeeding in public becomes more socially accepted. This may involve visiting leisure centres, cafes and organisations across the County to help them become breastfeeding friendly (Breastfeeding Welcome Scheme) and create the visible change in culture.</p>
There was not much emphasis on increasing physical activity.	Physical activity was not specifically included as a key theme as the stakeholder event discussions were more concerned around the food environment. However, that does not mean that physical activity will not be considered in the future as the work progresses.
Why was breast milk more beneficial for children?	<p>Breastfeeding was promoted as the evidence shows that if children are breastfed for at least six months, there is a link to children being a healthier weight when they start school.</p> <p>There were other positive aspects such as impact on palate and reducing tastes for sugary foods or other unhealthy food options.</p>
How do we support parents	The focus was on supporting individuals who

where breastfeeding was not possible, and ensure they are not ostracised?

wish to breastfeed, and also equally for those who do not want to, supporting them with introducing solid foods and the wider healthy eating environment.

## 7. EVIDENCE AND INSIGHT

### **Documents considered:**

- Evidence and Insight Step Verbal Update

The Head and Deputy Head of Transformation and Democratic Services provided an overview of the Evidence and Insight Step, which was divided into an engagement and data workstream.

### *Engagement workstream:*

- Work was ongoing to develop a One Powys Engagement Plan between the PSB and Regional Partnership Board (RPB).
- There was a need to develop understanding of the population of Powys.
- The aim was to avoid duplication and limit engagement fatigue for the citizens of Powys, by collaborating with PSB and RPB Partners in sharing engagement opportunities and insights where relevant.
- A PSB engagement event with town and community councils across Powys was planned for February 2024.
- Noted the second Well-being Assessment was undertaken in 2022, however there were still some gaps in the data to address.
- These data were collated and were available via the Well-being Information Bank and was available to the public on the Council's website.
- Population projects for the following 20 years were also available.

### *Data workstream:*

- Gaps in the well-being data were to be addressed through the data workstream.
- Due to the size and spread of communities across Powys, it was important to map well-being data to aid with visualisation and planning across the PSB Partners. Graphical Information Systems (GIS) were to be explored to aid with data visualisation.
- There were plans for a website to be developed which could host resources including the Well-being Information Bank.
- Noted there was no additional funding made available and so would be managed with existing resources, which was why working Better Together was important to deliver on the workstream and the wider work of the PSB.
- Initial work had been focused on developing information sharing protocols, data sharing agreements and related governance pieces.
- A decision from Welsh Government was due regarding a funding agreement to hold a climate engagement event on behalf of the PSB, to support the work of the Climate Emergency Step, led by the Senior Policy Advisor.

The Chair thanked officers and noted the importance of collaboration between the PSB and RPB Partners around engagement across Powys.

**Issues discussed:**

<u>Question</u>	<u>Response</u>
How was the Climate Emergency event to be held?	<p>The application for funding was made on the basis that the event would seek to bring together community groups and stakeholders, who were already interested in supporting climate work.</p> <p>The event would provide a space for PSB Partners to provide updates to stakeholders, and develop conversations with town and community councils around how they could support the Race to Zero approach.</p>

**8. RESPONDING TO THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

**Documents considered:**

- Responding to the Climate Emergency Step Update presentation

The Senior Policy Advisor provided an overview of the Responding to the Climate Emergency Step.

Actions included the need for Powys to:

- Decarbonise in line with the 2015 Paris Agreement.
- Scale up carbon sequestration – increasing the space for nature to absorb carbon.
- Adapt to climate impacts – improving the resilience of people and nature to cope with climate impacts that are unavoidable.
- £199,931 funding awarded by the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to support the work until the end of December 2024.
- Key deliverables were to include:
  - Carbon footprint assessment
  - Science-based target calculation
  - Decarbonisation action planning
  - Climate risk and vulnerability assessment
  - Climate adaptation and resilience planning
  - Carbon sequestration opportunity mapping and action planning
  - An area-based approach was to be taken across Powys, to align the strategic vision of the PSB Partners.
  - Regarding decarbonisation, to ensure Powys took its fair share of emissions cuts, the UN-backed Race to Zero framework could be utilised to calculate this and form an action plan.



- The first stage of the Step was to identify risks and put appropriate mitigations in place around funding and resources, and public engagement for co-creating.
- As funding was only in place until December 2024, part of the project work would include identifying further funding.
- In addition to the Senior Policy Advisor working for two days per week to support the Climate Emergency Step, two additional posts had been created using the SPF funding with recruitment underway for the:
  - Climate Evidence and Insights Officer
  - Climate Project Delivery Officer
- There were also opportunities for collaboration and shared learning via the Climate Working Group and task and finish group meetings, as well as to align with the other two Steps, especially around the carbon footprint of the food and drink sector in Powys.

**Issues discussed:**

<u>Question</u>	<u>Response</u>
How was carbon sequestration to be improved across Powys?	An assessment of carbon sequestration was required in the first instance. This would involve reviewing the land-use types, conditions, and options available across Powys for their potential to draw down carbon. The second stage would then be to take that information to landowners and managers to begin the conversations around options. It was known that Powys needed more trees, so part of the work would be to identify the appropriate areas for tree planting to compliment sustainable farming practices and local cultures.
It was mentioned previously during the presentation that the following 12 months would be about evidence gathering and action planning. Would this include 30x30?	There was an overlap between the climate and nature emergencies, particularly in avoiding emissions through restoring peatland and carbon sequestration. The work would therefore include colleagues who were developing nature action plans, to align the scale of carbon sequestration and carbon emissions avoidance. This would not specifically answer how 30x30 could be reached, however it could be aligned strategically to pursue such conversations.
How does the Climate Emergency Step work fit in with local energy infrastructure, such as proposed wind turbine and associated infrastructure developments?	There is a regional strategic energy plan for Mid Wales in addition to a local area energy plan in development. These strategies/plans would inform the work in terms of understanding how much and how quickly the local energy system needed to

	<p>decarbonise. The action planning therefore needed to be done with communities, as proposed pylons were a concern locally. There were also communitu projects aiming to generate energy at the community-level, as funding was likely not available to upgrade the national grid infrastructure although this would avoid the need for pylons for example. This would require increasing renewable energy generation and reducing demand by improving energy efficiency.</p>
<p>Where was the aforementioned substation located?</p>	<p>The Senior Policy Advisor was liaising with a local community group in Llangattock (Green Valleys). The project was in the early stages and were considering pre-feasibility study ideas.</p>

**J Owen-Adams (Chair)**



## **POWYS PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD (PSB) SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Powys Public Service Board**

#### **1. OVERALL PURPOSE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD**

1.1. Powys Public Service Board (Powys PSB) is a statutory board established under the Well-being of Future Generation (Wales) Act 2015. The purpose of the Board is to work together to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being within Powys, by bringing together the most appropriate key decision-makers in Powys to improve public services in such a way that it is transparent and meaningful as well as accountable to local people.

1.2. The Powys PSB will contribute to the seven national well-being goals:

- A prosperous Wales
- A resilient Wales
- A healthier Wales
- A more equal Wales
- A Wales of cohesive communities
- A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
- A globally responsible Wales

1.3. The Powys PSB will contribute to the Well-being Goals by:

- Assessing the state of economic, social, health, environmental, and cultural well-being in their areas
- Setting local objectives that are designed to maximise their contribution within their areas to achieving those goals

- Taking of all reasonable steps by statutory members of the Board (in exercising their functions) to meet those objectives

1.4. The Powys PSB will act with due regard to the five sustainable development principles in conducting its business:

- Long Term - Looking to the long term so that we do not compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs
- Integration - Taking an integrated approach so that public bodies look at all the well-being goals in deciding on their well-being objectives
- Collaboration - Working with others in a collaborative way to find shared sustainable solutions
- Involvement – Involving a diversity of the population in the decisions that affect them
- Prevention - Understanding the root causes of issues to prevent them from occurring

1.5. The statutory responsibilities of Powys PSB are:

- To consult on the assessment of Well-being within Powys
- To prepare and publish a local Well-being Assessment for Powys
- To consult on the Powys Well-being Plan
- To prepare and publish a local Well-being Plan for Powys
- To review or amend the local Well-being Plan and to publish an amended local Well-being Plan where required
- To consult on any amendment to the local Well-being Plan as required
- To prepare and publish an annual report that sets out the Powys PSB's progress in meeting the local objectives
- To review and report annually on progress to the public, Welsh Government, democratically elected members, and Powys PSB member organisations

1.6 The functions of the PSB Scrutiny Committee are:

- review or scrutinise the decisions made or actions taken by the public services board;
- review or scrutinise the board's governance arrangements
- make reports or recommendations to the board regarding its functions or governance arrangements
- consider matters relating to the board as the Welsh Ministers may refer to it and report to the Welsh Ministers accordingly

- carry out other functions in relation to the board that are imposed on it by the Act.

The PSB must consult the PSB Scrutiny Committee regarding the preparation of both the assessment of local well-being and its local well-being plan.

## 2. STRUCTURE

### 2.1 STATUTORY MEMBERS

Powys County Council	Leader Chief Executive Head of Transformation and Democratic Services
Powys Teaching Health Board	Chair Chief Executive Director of Public Health
Natural Resources Wales	Head of Operations (Mid)
Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service	Assistant Chief Fire Officer and Director of Operations

2.1.1. Statutory members are collectively and equally responsible for fulfilling the Powys PSB's statutory duties. Therefore, unanimous agreement of the statutory members is needed in relation to fulfilling these duties. However, statutory members will not and cannot work in isolation. Other bodies and organisations in the area have a significant contribution to make.

### 2.2 INVITED MEMBERS

Powys Association of Voluntary Organisations	Chair Chief Executive
Dyfed Powys OPCC	Police & Crime Commissioner
Dyfed Powys Police	Superintendent
Wales Community Rehabilitation Company	Head of Dyfed Powys Local Delivery Unit
Welsh Government	Welsh Government
Bannau Brycheiniog	Chief Executive
Department of Work and Pensions	
Ministry of Justice	

## **Powys Public Service Board (PSB) Scrutiny Committee**

### **3. MEMBERSHIP**

3.1 Members of the PSB Scrutiny Committee are to comprise of:

- Vice-Chairs of the 3 Scrutiny Committees, plus
- 2 additional representatives from each of the Scrutiny Committees (on a politically balanced basis based on a committee of 6).

3.2 Alongside these members, there are also three co-opted members which can be drawn from any of the Partners within the PSB.

3.3. Any co-opted members cannot be:

- drawn from the “executives” of any of the organisations to ensure that there is a split of responsibilities between those who are the “executive” of the organisation and those who undertake a “scrutiny” function.
- should not include officers from those organisations.
- should not be a Powys County Council representative on those organisations.

3.4 For clarity, the three Scrutiny Committees mentioned in rule 3.1 are:

- Economy, Residents and Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Learning and Skills Scrutiny Committee
- Health and Care Scrutiny Committee

3. 6 The Committee will be supported by a Scrutiny Officer from the County Council.

3.7 The Committee can invite and / or co-opt any other persons with a particular interest / expertise to support the Committee work on an ad-hoc basis.

3.8 The Committee should develop a forward work programme for a 12-month basis. As a minimum this should include:

- To scrutinise the evidence base that underpins the Well-being assessment for Powys;
- To scrutinise the arrangements for the preparation of the Powys Well-being Plan;
- To pre-scrutinise the draft Powys Well-being Plan;
- To pre-scrutinise the Annual Report of the PSB;
- To scrutinise the arrangements for the review and amendment of the Powys Well-being Plan.

#### **4. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE POWYS PSB SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

4.1 The Terms of Reference describe the purpose and structure of the Committee. The Terms of Reference should assist in developing a common understanding of the scope among stakeholders.

4.2 The Terms of Reference for the Scrutiny Committee are:

- To provide a 'critical friend' challenge to the Public Service Board
- To scrutinise, evaluate and actively promote improvement in work carried out in line with Public Service Board priorities and its terms of reference and not that of those individual constituent organisations represented on the Public Service Board
- To develop and deliver a forward work programme which seeks to contribute to the performance management and governance arrangements of the Public Service Board, and its projects
- To submit reports to the Public Service Board (as appropriate) and make recommendations for consideration and adoption;

#### **5. MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE**

5.1 Election of Chair – The Committee will elect a Chair from the membership of the Committee. Substitute Members will not be eligible for election as the Chair. The Chair will be appointed for an initial 12-month period but can be re-elected.

5.2 Election of Vice-Chair - The Committee will elect a Vice-Chair from the membership of the Committee. Substitute Members will not be eligible for election as the Vice-Chair. The Vice-Chair will be appointed for an initial 12-month period but can be re-elected.

5.3 It is suggested that meetings of the Committee will be held on a six-monthly cycle to mirror the cycle of the PSB. However, a degree of flexibility should be incorporated in line with the wishes of the Committee e.g. members may wish to consider issues on an ad-hoc basis.

5.4 The nature of Scrutiny work is such that ad-hoc meetings are also held to consider issues as and when appropriate. For example, the investigative work of the Committee may require the holding of interview sessions, site visits or seminars to discuss individual issues.

5.5 Notes of meetings will usually be brief, containing a summary of discussions, action points and recommendations.

5.6 Persons invited to participate by the Committee will be sent the notes of the meeting to ensure their accuracy.

5.7 The Committee may request any member of the PSB to attend a committee meeting to assist with issues under consideration.

5.8 Initially meetings of the Committee will not be held in public, but this will be kept under review as the work of the Committee develops. If meetings are held in public in future, there may be occasions when the nature of the matters being discussed mean that the Committee will need to move into a private session at which point the press and the public will be excluded from the meeting.

## **6. QUORUM**

6.1 The quorum will be 25% of the number of members of the Scrutiny Committee, in accordance with Rule 7.20 of the Powys County Council Constitution.

6.2 During any meeting, if the chair declares that there is not a quorum present, then the meeting will adjourn immediately. Remaining business will be considered at a time and date fixed by the chair. If the chair does not fix a date, the remaining business will be considered at the next ordinary meeting of the PSB Scrutiny Committee.

## **7. REPORTS BY THE COMMITTEE**

7.1 The Committee itself will prepare recommendations based on work undertaken by the Committee as a whole.

7.2 Recommendations once approved by the Committee will be submitted to the PSB for action either by means of a letter from the Chair of Scrutiny or in a formal report. Where a formal report is submitted, a copy will be sent to the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales, the Auditor General for Wales and the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government.

7.3 Draft recommendations will be circulated to relevant individuals for accuracy before being finalised.

7.4 The PSB will be required to consider the recommendations of the Committee and to provide a written response within 2 weeks of the next meeting of the PSB indicating whether the PSB:



- (a) accepts the recommendations and supplies an action plan; or
- (b) does not accept the recommendations with detailed justification for this decision;

7.5 The Scrutiny Committee will / may:

- (a) Where an action plan has been prepared, monitor progress in implementation of the action plan and request periodic updates from the PSB, until such time as the action plan has been completed;
- (b) Where recommendations have not been accepted, call representatives of the PSB to discuss the reasons why the recommendations were not accepted with the Scrutiny Committee

## **8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

- 8.1 A full member or participant of the Powys PSB who is present at a meeting, which is to consider any matter in which he / she has an interest, either direct or indirect, must disclose that interest. Definitions of direct or indirect interests are listed in Appendix B.
- 8.2 A full member or participant must make the disclosure of an interest, whether direct or indirect, at the meeting preferably at the commencement of the relevant agenda item of business
- 8.3 A full member or participant must disclose the interest orally and will be required to leave the room prior to the discussion on the relevant agenda item / topic. The declaration will be recorded in the minutes by the Secretariat
- 8.4 Declarations of interests to be a standing agenda item

## **9 ACCOUNTABILITY**

- 9.1 The decision made by the Powys PSB, actions taken, and its governance arrangements are subject to scrutiny by a bespoke Powys County Council Scrutiny Committee
- 9.2 The Scrutiny Committee will scrutinise, evaluate and actively promote improvement in work carried out in line with Powys PSB priorities as identified through its Wellbeing Assessment; Well-being Plan and its Terms of Reference and not that of those individual constituent organisations represented on the Powys PSB
- 9.3 The Powys PSB is accountable to the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales and must seek and act on the advice and feedback received from the Commissioner and / or their office

**10. EXIT**

10.1 Any participant not wishing to continue should give written notice to the Secretariat and PSB Chair. The partner should endeavour to honour any decisions taken and commitments made until a replacement is identified.

**11. REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE**

11.1 Terms of Reference are to be reviewed annually by the PSB Scrutiny Committee

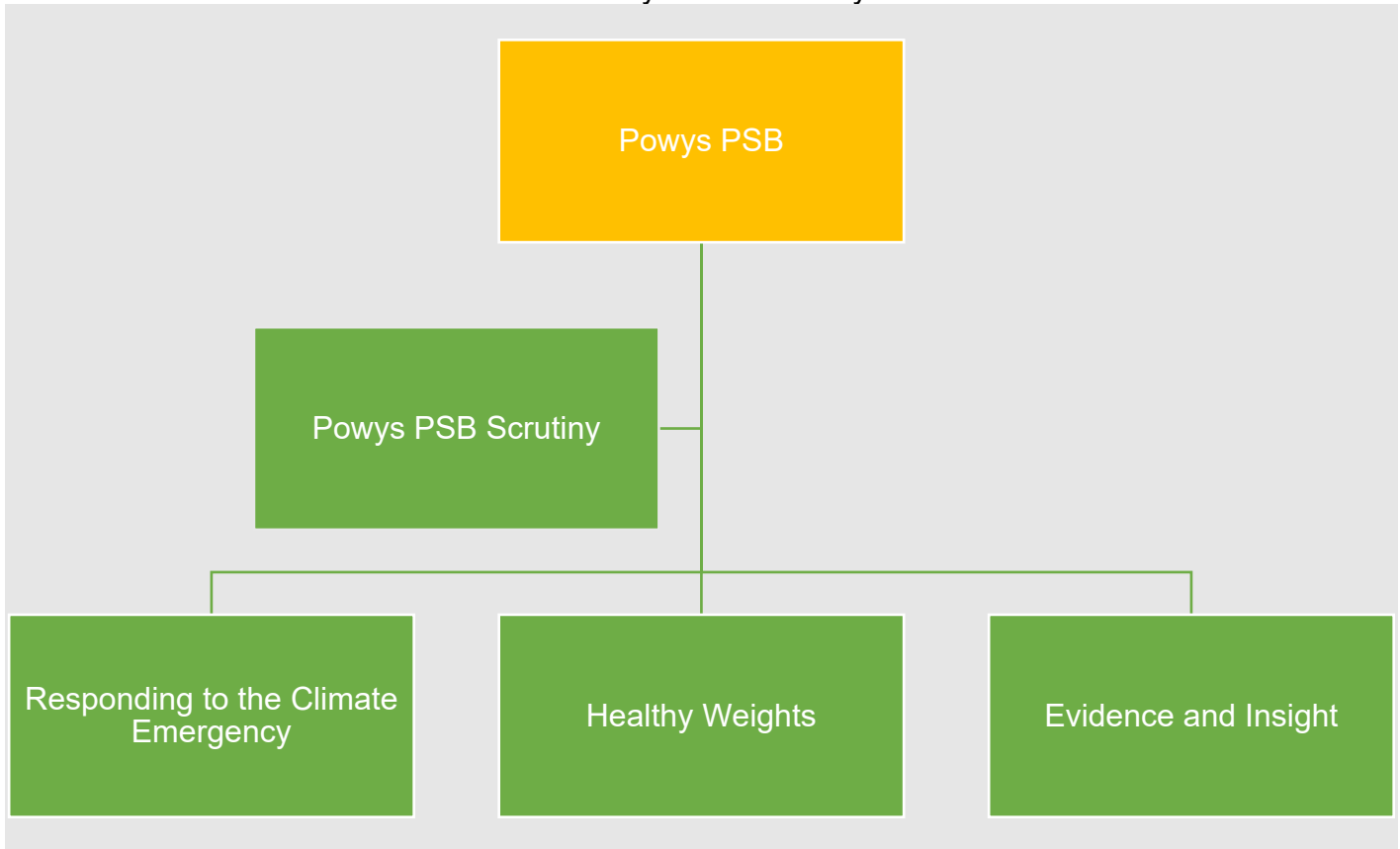
**12. KEY REFERENCE DOCUMENTS**

- Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
- Shared Purpose; Shared Future 3: Collective Role
- CIPFA International framework: good governance in the public sector
- Guidance for Local Authority Scrutiny Committees on the scrutiny of Public Services Boards, Welsh Government

**VERSION HISTORY**

Version	Name	Comment
0.1	James Langridge-Thomas	Draft produced
0.2	Connor Farmer	Amendments made following initial meeting of the PSB Scrutiny Committee.

**APPENDIX A – HIGH LEVEL PSB STRUCTURE**



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**APPENDIX B – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST DEFINITION****A. DIRECT INTEREST**

A.1 A direct interest is not defined in absolute terms. A direct interest is one where a full member or alternate has been directly involved with or who has had/will have any pecuniary interest in the successful outcome of the subject/project in question. A member with direct supervisory or line management responsibility over an employee who has such an aforementioned involvement is also considered to have a direct interest.

**B. INDIRECT INTEREST**

B.1 An indirect interest is one where a full member or alternative is an employee or member of an organisation, company or other body, which has a direct interest (membership of a company would include owning shares in the company). This includes an individual who may be representing an organisation on the Powys PSB but is an employee or member of another organisation, which had a direct or indirect interest.